

# XIII Global Labour University Conference

The Future of Work: Democracy, Development and the Role of Labour

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## **Parallel sessions (Overview)**

## 1. Structural changes and impacts on labour (Zeferino Vaz Auditorium)

## 1.1. New/digital economies (Wednesday, 8 August, 14:00–16:00)

Birgit Mahnkopf - The false promises of digitalisation

Martina Sproll - The devaluation of work through digitization

João Gabriel Buonavita - UBER: deregulation and silent privatization

Ravi Tripathi - The "New Economy" challenge: lessons from Germany and France

**Chair:** Vitor Filgueiras

#### 1.2. Climate change, agriculture and natural resources (Thursday, 9 August, 9:00 – 11:00)

Hans Awude - The role of trade unions in protecting agricultural employment in Ghana in the phase of climate change

Óscar Gallo, Dan Hawkins - Reflexiones sobre el trabajo y la salud laboral en la producción de aceite de palma en Colombia

Archana Prasad - Forest carbon supply chains and the international division of labour

Debdulal Saha - Rural business, informalisation and precarious outcomes in plantation economy

Chair: Marcelo Proni

#### 1.3. Global value chains, MNC and labour regimes (Thursday, 9 August, 11:00 - 13:00)

Mark Anner - The impact of global value chain consolidation and capital markets on labor conditions and workers' rights in less developed countries

Uma Amara Rani - Smart mobile phones in Brazil: industrial policy and labour governance

Patrícia Rocha Lemos - Tecnologia e gestão do trabalho no Walmart Brasil

Chair: Archana Prasad

## 1.4. Working conditions, subcontracting and precarization (Thursday, 9 August, 14:30 - 16:30)

James Musonda - Now or never: the future of organised labour in Zambia's mining sector

Vinícius Sartorato - MERCOSUL-European Union negotiations: working class' perspectives.

Igor Figueiredo - Terceirização no setor de limpeza: precarização e desigualdades intra-setoriais

Chair: Joachim Beerhorst

## 2. Trade union organization and strategies (room 34)

#### 2.1. New strategies and organizing (Wednesday, 8 August, 14:00–16:00)

Elaine Sio-ieng HUI - Worker-led attempt to build trade unions in China

Tamás Gerocs - Fragmentation in the Central European automotive industry

**Natália Cindra** - Juventude trabalhadora e os desafios da representação sindical: breves reflexões sobre os casos dos Comerciários e Telefônicos do Rio de Janeiro

Manuel Rosaldo - From informal work to decent work? Waste pickers' struggles for labor rights in Brazil and Colombia

Chair: Nicolas Pons-Vignon

#### 2.2. Trade unions and political strategies (Thursday, 9 August, 9:00 – 11:00)

Rebecca Tarlau - Teachers unions, political strategy, and educational change in Brazil, Mexico, and the U.S.

**Vishwas Satgar, Michelle Williams** - The crisis of national liberation nationalism in South Africa: the response of the National Union of Metal Workers (NUMSA) and the role of worker education

**Dale Forbes, Marcelo Schmidt** - A comparison of South Africa and Brazil – COSATU and the ANC; CUT and the PT **Chair:** Shawna Bader-Blau

#### 2.3. Trade unions and power resources (Thursday, 9 August, 11:00 – 13:00)

Jacob Omolo - Trade union revitalization in Kenya: acquisition and utilization of power resources

**Nicolas Pons-Vignon, Dias, Webster** - Is the game rigged? A critical appraisal of the power resource approach

Chair: Mirko Herberg

#### 2.4. Global challenges and international campaigns (Thursday, 9 August, 14:30 - 16:30)

**Kyungran Kim** - The challenges of trade Unions in the digital economy: a case study of quick delivery service in Korea

Muttaqa Yushau - How do the nigerian transport union responds to Uber technologies

Chair: Jeremy Anderson

## 3. Labour regulation (room 35)

## 3.1 Labour law reforms (I) (Wednesday, 8 August, 14:00-16:00)

Cheng Li - Collective bargaining and judicial resolution mechanism in Brazil

**Qiao Jian** - Trade union reform: towards a better and more effective union system with chinese characteristics? a case Study of the 2016 Shanghai reform of mass organizations

Luis Campos - La ofensiva del capital contra el trabajo en el plano jurídico: el año de las reformas laborales en Argentina y Brasil

Chair: Roberto Borghi

## 3.2 Labour law reforms (II) (Thursday, 9 August, 9:00 – 11:00)

**Marcelo Manzano** - Reforma laboral no Brasil e seus possíveis impactos econômicos à luz das precedentes experiências internacionais

**Magda Biavaschi, Marilane Teixeira** - The labor reform approved in Brazil: a regressive attack on social rights and the public institutions that operate in the labor world

**Guilherme Caldas** - A reforma trabalhista do governo Temer e o pensamento neoliberal

Chair: Bhabhali Nhlapo

#### 3.3. Regulation, working conditions and working time (I) (Thursday, 9 August, 11:00 - 13:00)

Vitor Filgueiras - "So easy and so difficult: labour regulation on the so-called new forms of work"

Ana Luíza Matos de Oliveira, Lygia Sabbag - Inequality in working time: an international trend

Anamitra Roychowdhury - Impact of labour regulations on employment conditions in Indian manufacturing

Chair: Stefanie Lorenzen

#### 3.4. Regulation, working conditions and working time (II) (Thursday, 9 August, 14:30 - 16:30)

**Thays Almeida, Marlene Seiffarth** - Paid domestic workers in Brazil — an analysis of the political and cultural conjunctures of labor rights

Monicah Gachuki - Formalization of domestic work in Kenya: a focus on protection of human rights.

Marileide Silva, Carolina Prates - Labour analogous to slavery: combat strategies and socioeconomic development in Brazil

Nathalie Reis Itaboraí - Labour rights and universal basic income: challenges to social protection for maternity and early childhood in Brazil

Chair: Marcelo Manzano

## 4. Development (room 36)

#### 4.1. Labour markets (Wednesday, 8 August, 14:00–16:00)

Paulo Baltar, Eugênia Leone - Impactos da recessão no mercado de trabalho da região Nordeste do Brasil

**Naomi Generoso Faustino** - The influences of segregation and the neoliberalism in the new post-apartheid labor market

**Ezgi Bagdadioglu, Cheng Li** - The tripartite labour supply model as diversifier the cognitive rationale of dichotomies in theories of Economy

Chair: Carlos Salas

#### 4.2. International division of labour and unequal exchanges (Thursday, 9 August, 9:00 – 11:00)

**Roberto Borghi** - The core-periphery dichotomy revisited: the Chinese trade specialization pattern with Latin American and African economies

**Melegh Attila** - Unequal exchanges, labor mobility from Eastern Europe and the radicalization of demographic nationalisms in Eastern Europe

Bruno de Conti - Hierarquia monetária e divisão internacional do trabalho

Chair: Paris Yeros

#### 4.3. Informality, wages and gender gap (Thursday, 9 August, 11:00 – 13:00)

Carolina Baltar - The effects of the Brazilian recession on wage inequality between men and women

**Sonia George** - Upheavals in infringing the formal-informal divide: engaging gender in the labour politics of Kerala, India

Sofia Scasserra - Ecommerce agenda, future of labor and the gender gap

**Neil Coleman** - The politics of transforming the apartheid wage structure in South Africa: the case of the national minimum wage

Chair: Martina Sproll

#### 4.4. Social structures and migrations (Thursday, 9 August, 14:30 - 16:30)

André Martins - A class that no one dares to call by its name: class conflicts and the "new middle class" in Lula da Silva and Dilma Rousseff's Brazil (2003-2016)

Patricia Villen - Divisão internacional do trabalho e imigração no Brasil contemporâneo

Bilge Coban - Building livelihoods opportunities for syrian refugees in Turkey

Chair: Bruno Conti

## **GUF Workshops (room 20)**

ITF: Union responses to technology: how to win better working conditions (Wednesday, 8 August, 14:00-16:00)

Facilitator: Jeremy Anderson

UNI: Filling the gap - securing workers' data rights (Thursday, 9 August, 11:00 – 13:00)

Facilitator: Christina Colclough

UNI: E-commerce and trade – why all but a few will lose and why we must stop it (Thursday, 9 August, 14:30 –

16:30)

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## Agricultural value chain (Jorge Tápia Auditorium)

The economic and social upgrading in the upstream of mango value chain (Wednesday, 8 August, 14:00–16:00)

Mubashir Mehdi - The case of Pakistan

Thales Augusto M. Penha - The case of Brazil

Angela Akorsu - The case of Ghana

Commentator: Walter Belik

The economic and social upgrading in the upstream of rice value chain (Thursday, 9 August, 9:00 – 11:00)

Manish Kumar - The case of India

Jakir Hossain - The case of Bangladesh Sergio Schneider - The case of Brazil

Commentator: Praveen Jha

The economic and social upgrading in the upstream of coffee value chain (Thursday, 9 August, 11:00 – 13:00)

Santosh Verma - The case of India

Daniel Hawkins - The case of Colombia

Bruno Benzaquen Perosa - The case of Brazil

Do Quynh Chi - The case of Viet Nam

Commentator: Ishrat Gadhok

Round Table: Only for the researchers of the project (Thursday, 9 August, 14:30 - 16:30)

Facilitators: Ismail Doga Karatepe and Christoph Scherrer

## Global value chains – economic and social upgrading (Room 2)

Theory (Wednesday, 8 August, 14:00-16:00)

Christina Teipen, Fabien Mehl - Political economy of social upgrading

Hansjörg Herr, Petra Dünhaupt - Global value chains as part of a new imperialism?

Praveen Jha - Global production networks: what 'gains' for the South?

## Global value chains in the electronics & IT sector (Thursday, 9 August, 9:00 – 11:00)

Carlos Salas - Electronic sector in Brazil

**Shiying Liu** - Electronic sector in China

Mengmeng Guo - IT sector in China

## Global value chain in the apparel sector (Thursday, 9 August, 11:00 – 13:00)

Xiaiyan Liu - Apparel sector in China

Praveen Jha - Apparel sector in India

Carlos Salas - Global value chains and precariousness

## Global value chain in the automobile sector (Thursday, 9 August, 14:30 - 16:30)

Alex Mashilo - Automobile sector in South Africa

Praveen Jha - Automobile sector in India

**Shiying Liu** - Automobile sector in China

Anselmo Luís dos Santos - Automobile sector in Brazil